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3RD MESSAGE

ESTIMATED COST OF MAINTAINING GRU NETWORK
AND OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF GRU AGENTS (1962)

From: VTOCHNIUM

To: MOSCOW

No: 737

19th April 1962

To NORTHERN(1).

In reply to your No. 5397(a). For general guidance, the following funds (expenses for one month) are available for the network's maintenance [SODERZHENIE SETI] and for further development [RAZRABOTKA](b):

[Continued overleaf]

DISTRIBUTION:

Item[n]	Description and Remarks[[n]]	[Monthly Amount][[n]]
1.	ARMED GROUP [ARMED, ARMED[[1]], ARMED[[2]], ARMED[[3]], ARMED[[4]], ARMED[[5]]] [NAME receives [payments][[n]] for material[[f]]]	1,000 - 3,000[[n]]
2.	PROVISIONS [PROVISIONS, PROVISIONS[[1]]] In (g) is developing NUTRITION[[x]]	1,500 - 3,700
3.	TRANSPORT [TRANSPORT, TRANSPORT[[1]]] In (g) is developing TRANSPORT[[x]]	1,000 - 1,800
4.	ARMED GROUP [ARMED, ARMED[[1]], ARMED[[2]], ARMED[[3]], ARMED[[4]], ARMED[[5]]] [NAME receives [payments][[n]] for material[[f]]]	1,400 - 1,500
5.	TRANSPORT [TRANSPORT, TRANSPORT[[1]]] "TRANSPORTATION[material][[n]]" is being developed	800 - 1,000
6.	TRANSPORT [TRANSPORT, TRANSPORT[[1]]] [NAME receives [payments][[n]] for material[[f]]]	1,000 - 1,400[[n]]
7.	TRANSPORT GROUP Development through NAME's deputy: the leader[MEMPHITEL], a SUBJECT and one or three observers. Development has already been started. For the time being this group is receiving per month for development Later it will receive[[n]]	500 - 700 1,300 - 1,500
8.	TRANSPORT GROUP NAME's people who are being used: SOCIETY[[n]], NAME[[n]], etc...[3-4 letters uncorrected][[n]]. As are the leader and a SUBJECT	1,200 - 1,300
9.	OPERATIONAL EXPENSES NAME[NAME[[1]]][[n]] PRO[PRO[[1]]] The SUBJECT[SUBJECT[[1]]][[n]] (I shall wait and see what happens in the course of the next two or three months) OSCAR[OSCAR[[1]]] - [BC organizational expenses] SVENSON[SVENSON] AKEL[AKEL] and others (3-4 letters uncorrected)...[n] Development through [OF NAME] OS[OS[[1]]] Development of Engineer SCOUT[SCOUT]	250 - 300 200 300 7 300 - 400 300 - 400 300 - 400 400 - 500 300
10.	[4 groups uncorrected] in (j) cover of additional[more], staff[more] and POLICE[POLICE][more] for the preparatory work [in PREPARATION] which will require For maintenance in the future funds will be received there, in connection, to the amount of	1,000 [from] 1,200 [from] - 1,400 Birmeijer 10,000
11.	Operational expenses for the maintenance of NAME[NAME[[1]]][[n]] and [4 groups uncorrected], [BC organizational expenses], expense for language study and other above [C requirements]	2,000 - 2,500
12. (more)	Payments for individual items of intelligence material[material general] are not [to include] [C general uncorrected]	
13.	MONEY REQUIRED OR ASSISTANCE TO OUR STAFFERS [and] PERSONNEL SEARCH[SEARCH[[1]]] wife SEARCH[SEARCH[[2]]] wife etc[etc[[1]]] wife	300 800 900
14.	SUNDAY EXPENSES Telegraphic correspondence	5,000 - 6,000
	To cover the estimated cost of maintenance, ensure that the necessary [4 groups uncorrected] is available	
	This totals per month[[n]] Mo 1954	27,000 - 29,000 Swedish krona NYKROSTOR (N.Y.)

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Notes: [a] Not available.

- [b] "Development" is one of the stages in recruitment and includes the assessment of the candidate and developing his trust in the case officer.
- [c] The translator has tabulated the message and added column headings.
- [d] The amounts in this column are presumably Swedish kronor unless otherwise stated.
- [e] Inserted by the translator.
- [f] Intelligence material.
- [g] It is not clear whether the pronoun "he" refers to SPANIARD or to SAMUEL.
- [h] It is not clear whether the pronoun "he" refers to PLOT or ~~in~~.
- [i] or "into NORWAY".
- [k] A very free translation. Literally: "In all in connection with the estimated maintenance, ensure the necessary remittal [1 group unrecovered] 22 - 25,000 Swedish Kronor monthly".

Comments: [i] ~~REDACTED~~: MOSSOR addresses and signatory. Probably Northern Department.

[ii] ADMIRAL: Probably Vladimir Arsen'evich STACHOVSKIY, former Czarist Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM. Also occurs in MOSSOR's No. 938 of 15th October 1941 (3/MSP/T1605), No. 467 of 13th July 1942 (unpublished) and No. 768 of 12th October 1942 (3/MSP/T1429) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 974 of 19th October 1940 (unpublished), No. 1199 of 3rd October 1941 (3/MSP/T1719), No. 363 of 17th February 1942 (3/MSP/T1605) and No. 1926 of 16th June 1941 (3/MSP/T1276).

[iii] ALMA: Unidentified. Probably a covername. Also occurs in the following unpublished messages:- MOSSOR's No. 322 of 2nd May 1942 and No. 849 of 2nd November 1942 and in STOCKHOLM's No. 2648 of 16th October 1942.

[iv] AUGUST: Unidentified. Probably a covername. First occurrences. This is the Russian form of the name. Possibly sent in error for the German or Scandinavian AUGUST or the French AUGUSTE[UGUST]

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Comments: [iv] AVENST:
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The latter has occurred in MOSCOW's No. 277 of
15th April 1942 (3/MSP/T1748) and No. 969 of
9th December 1942 (3/MSP/T1616) and in
STOCKHOLM's No. 621 of 30th April 1942
(3/MSP/T1697) and No. 3592 of 8th December
1943 (3/MSP/T1611).

[v] BAEGO:

Unidentified. Possibly a surname. First
occurrence. Possibly the Norwegian surname
BAEGO or a transliteration of a French surname
BAERGOT or BAERGOZ. It could also be a place
name. (The Soviet World Atlas, 1954, gives
BAEGO as a place in the USA.)

[vi] VAJDA:

Unidentified. Possibly a surname. First
occurrence.

[vii] SPANIARD:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's
No. 179 of 15th March 1942 (3/MSP/T1816).

[viii] SANGEL:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's
No. 179 of 15th March 1942 (3/MSP/T1816), No. 829
of 19th March 1942 (3/MSP/T1717) and No. 719 of
30th September 1942 (3/MSP/T1668) and in
STOCKHOLM's No. 632 of 3rd April 1942 (unpublished)
and No. 672 of 8th May 1942 (3/MSP/T1705).

[ix] KARSON:

Unidentified. First occurrence.

[x] PLOR:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in
STOCKHOLM's No. 68 of 14th January 1942
(3/MSP/T1869). PLOR is a Russian male first
name. PLOR is probably identical with PLORO
which occurs in MOSCOW's No. 467 of 13th July
1942 (unpublished), No. 179 of 15th March 1942
(3/MSP/T1816) and No. 776 of 15th October 1942
(3/MSP/T1439).

[xi] RUMS:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's
No. 938 of 13th October 1941 (3/MSP/T1685) and
No. 223 of 25th March 1942 (3/MSP/T1637) and in
STOCKHOLM's No. 1393 of 19th November 1941
(3/MSP/T1626), No. 138 of 28th January 1942
(unpublished) and No. 593 of 28th March 1942
(unpublished). RUMS is a Scandinavian surname.

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Comments: [xii] BRIDGEWELL
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The surname BRIDGEWELL also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 776 of 15th October 1942 (3/MR/T1439) and STOCKHOLM's No. 565 of 7th May 1942 (3/MR/T1754).

[xiii] BARK:

Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 776 of 15th October 1942 (3/MR/T1441), No. 811 of 24th October 1942 (3/MR/T1431) and No. 999 of 18th November 1942 (3/MR/T1485) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 539 of 10th March 1942 (3/MR/T1544).

[xiv] The brothers:

[xv] The wife:

(xvi) JAH:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MR/T1816), No. 894 of 21st October 1942 (3/MR/T1442) and STOCKHOLM's No. 393 of 17th February 1942 (3/MR/T1605).

(xvii) RAHO:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 684 of 16th September 1940 (3/MR/T1825) and STOCKHOLM's No. 393 of 17th February 1942 (3/MR/T1605).

(xviii) "NORTHERN"
CROTHAM:

Unidentified surname. First occurrence. ~~MR~~ knows why this surname should be in inverted commas.

(xix) RAHO:

Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 27 of 14th January 1942 (3/MR/T1692) and No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MR/T1816) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 393 of 17th February 1942 (3/MR/T1605), No. 454 of 6th March 1942 (3/MR/T1604) and No. 658 of 11th April 1942 (unpublished). This may be the Scandinavian surname RAHO, the Swedish word meaning a "bard" or "minstrel" or the name RAHO in the USA.

(xx) MUSICIAN:

Codeword for a W/T operator.

(xxi) "NORTHERN" CROTHAM:

Unidentified. First occurrence. The inverted commas enclosing NORTHERN presumably indicate the word, although a noun, is being used in adjectival sense instead of the adjective "northern". It is just possible, however, the inverted commas indicate that NORTHERN is a surname. If this were so, the translation would be: "NORTHERN CROTHAM".

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Comments: [xxii] "SOUTH" ~~place~~: Unidentified. First occurrence. The comment [xxi] above also apply to the inverted names enclosing the word SOUTH.

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[xxiii] ~~MARY~~: Unidentified. Possibly the name of BALDIN, Russian surname which occurs together with GAVRIL.... in MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1816).

[xxiv] ~~exp~~: Unidentified. First occurrence. Possibly a place name used as a surname. (The Turkish place name ~~GUMUR~~ is given in the Soviet World Atlas, 1954, as ~~GUMUR~~.)

[xxv] ~~Gy...~~: Unidentified. Beginning of a name spelt out Cyrillic. See comment [xxiii] for a name beginning ~~G...~~, associated with BALDIN.

[xxvi] ~~WAGL~~: Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1816) and No. 768 of 12th October 1942 (3/MAR/T1429) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 363 of 17th February 1942 (3/MAR/T1663) and No. 573 of 25th February 1942 (3/MAR/T1548).

[xxvii] ~~FBI~~: Unidentified surname. Occurs as a source on various dates between 27th December 1941 21st September 1942. The following messages have been published: MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1816) and STOCKHOLM's No. 229 of 5th February 1942 (3/MAR/T1547) and No. 666 of 11th April 1942 (3/MAR/T1549)).

[xxviii] ~~The WILSON~~: Unidentified. Probably a surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 768 of 12th October 1942 (3/MAR/T1429). WILSON, in the singular occurs in MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1816) and No. 342 of 11th May 1942 (unpublished) and STOCKHOLM's No. 393 of 27th February 1942 (3/MAR/T1832).

[xxix] ~~OSCAR~~: Unidentified surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 179 of 19th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1816) and No. 768 of 12th October 1942 (3/MAR/T1429).

[xxx] ~~WILSON~~: Unidentified. Probably a surname. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 373 of 14th May 1941 (3/MAR/T1613) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 3 of 3rd January 1941 (3/MAR/T1612), No. 994 of 11th September 1941 (3/MAR/T1614), No. 429 of 7th February 1942 (3/MAR/T1397) and No. 710 3rd March 1942 (3/MAR/T1615).

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- Comments: [xxx] AND⁺
(Cont'd.) Unidentified. First occurrence. Possibly a transliteration of the Scandinavian surname ANIL or ANELL.
- [xxxii] ...⁺ Unidentified. The end of a name spelt out in Cyrillic.
- [xxxiii] (of surface) Unidentified. Possibly a place name used as a covername. MARGEN is in ESTONIA.
- [xxxiv] GUNN⁺ Unidentified. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's No. 3263 of 7th December 1943 (3/MAR/T1591). A Scandinavian surname spelt either GUNIN or GUNNA.
- [xxxv] ANDERSON⁺ Unidentified covername. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 221 of 25th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1687), No. 333 of 8th May 1942 (unpublished) and No. 710 of 30th September 1942 (3/MAR/T1688) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 475 of 14th March 1942 (3/MAR/T1653), No. 557 of 26th April 1942 (3/MAR/T1639), No. 613 of 3rd April 1942 (unpublished), No. 872 of 8th May 1942 (3/MAR/T1788) and No. 1580 of 24th July 1942 (3/MAR/T1687).
- [xxxvi] SVART⁺ , a Norwegian 213 agent.
The covername SVART also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 264 of 10th April 1942 (3/MAR/T1652) and No. 716 of 30th September 1942 (3/MAR/T1688) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 972 of 8th May 1942 (3/MAR/T1788).
- [xxxvii] FELIX⁺ The covername FELIX also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 264 of 10th April 1942 (3/MAR/T1652), No. 543 of 11th May 1942 (unpublished) and No. 716 of 30th September 1942 (3/MAR/T1688) and in STOCKHOLM's No. 872 of 8th May 1942 (3/MAR/T1788) and No. 873 of 8th May 1942 (3/MAR/T1688).
- [xxxviii] MUSIC⁺ Coverword for G/T set.
- [xxxix]
- (x) SICK person⁺ Item 12 was omitted.
Coverword for person in prison.
- (xi) SON⁺ Unidentified. First occurrence.
- (xii) BUNCH 5⁺ Unidentified. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's No. 872 of 25th August 1943 (3/MAR/T1688).

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Comments: [redacted] approx.
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Unidentified coverage.

- X (xlv) 42,000 - 25,000 horses from south
[redacted] is approximately 21300 - 21500 at the time current anch-
gate of approximately 17 sec. N. to the S. or about
214,000 - 215,000 per annum.
- (xlv) AK4000: Col. N.I. KIRYUZOV, Soviet Military and
Air Attaché in Mongolia.

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